



The Holland Landing Highlights

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From the Office

Virtual Learning - Attendance

- Even though our building is closed, learning is alive and well in our virtual classrooms! We know that many families are balancing so many things at this time - please work with your child's teacher if you need to adjust things for your family.
- **Attendance is taken every morning and afternoon (just like at school!).** If your child is going to be absent from virtual learning, please enter your child's absence in [Edsby](#), or email your child's teacher to let them know so the attendance can be updated.

Appropriate Use of Technology Reminders - Virtual Learning

When participating in "real time" synchronous teaching and learning, students and families are agreeing to the following:

- Use only Board Approved Platforms and Synchronous Learning Tools;
- Follow [YRDSB Appropriate Use of Technology Policy and Procedures](#);
- Adhere to all rules of conduct and behaviour for the regular classroom, as they also apply to the virtual classroom;
- Participation in synchronous sessions is limited to students only. Parents/Guardians may assist and support their child logging into or accessing learning platforms or digital tools. In all cases, parents are reminded of the importance of student independence in learning.
- Parents/Guardians and students are to refrain from:
 - Recording any aspect of a Google Meet or Zoom session (including pictures, voices or video) using internal or external recording devices;
 - Distributing/posting any recorded, copied or distributed materials in any way, including to all social media platforms;
 - Taking photos or screenshots of anything other than when given explicit permission or direction by the teacher to do so (e.g., a visual used for instructional purposes that won't be reposted later);
 - Editing or manipulating materials in any way; and
 - Sharing/distributing links to Google Meet and Zoom sessions provided by the teacher.

Resources for Families

Families looking for assistance in navigating online tools can find [resources available on the Board website](#). Families looking for virtual school IT support are encouraged to visit our [Virtual School IT Support page](#) for FAQs and a student tech help form. The provincial government has also established financial support for families during this temporary remote learning period through its [Support for Learners](#) program.

You may be concerned about your child's emotional well-being. You can find [tips on how to speak to your child about COVID-19 on our website](#) as well as [mental health supports](#).

Thank you for your ongoing support and patience. We will continue to share updates and information with you as it becomes available. You can also follow the Board's Twitter feed: [@YRDSB](#), or for information about YRDSB's reopening plan, visit: www.yrdsb.ca/school-reopening.



Actions for Happiness

Things have certainly not been easy over the last year, and we are still in difficult and uncertain times. The best way to try to handle our difficult emotions and experiences is by focusing on what we can control.

Check out the [Actions for Happiness calendar for January](#) - let's encourage our HLPS community to stay **happy** and **healthy**!

If you'd like to share ways you and your family are boosting your happiness this month, please feel free to share! Email holland.landing.ps@yrdsb.ca with your ideas, and/or photos.

Grade 1 French Immersion Registration

FI registration will begin on **January 15, 2021**. Parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2021, and wishing to enrol in the FI Program, can email or call their home school office and indicate their intention to enrol. The home school will notify the French Immersion school, and the French Immersion school will contact you by phone or email to collect any necessary information. You are asked to register by February 5, 2021. Registration during this period is not first come, first served.

2021-2022 Kindergarten Registration

Registration for Kindergarten begins on **January 15, 2021**. We look forward to welcoming our new students and families to our school.

Children who turn four or five years old during 2021, live within the school boundary and whose parents/guardians are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for Kindergarten.

For registration information, please see the board website:
<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/Kindergarten/Pages/default.aspx>

School Council

Please join us at our next virtual School Council meeting on **Tuesday, February 2nd** at 7:00 pm!



Please consider joining our FlipGive fundraising team! We've raised **\$415.43** so far!

If you haven't yet signed on, it's a great way to give back just by doing the shopping you're already doing! For example, if you are going to buy groceries at the Superstore, you could purchase a digital gift card through FlipGive, and redeem it right away at the checkout! If you're heading to Esso to purchase gas, you can purchase a digital gift card through FlipGive, and have the attendant scan the gift card on your phone to purchase your gas! It's that easy. Our school earns money from each of your everyday purchases when you use FlipGive.

Did you know you can also donate directly? It's another easy way to support our school. Feel free to invite family and friends to sign on to our team. Let's reach our goal of \$10 000 in support of creating accessible play spaces at HLPS!!

Not sure how you to use FlipGive? Check out this video for a quick "How to": <https://youtu.be/LBT0ILFFtus>

● \$260.43

❖ What is FlipGive;

- An online shopping app that when used under our team code generates funds for HLPS (from 0.5%-30% of the purchase)
- Almost all major retailers, restaurants and brands are available
- Perfect for your everyday shopping, holiday gift cards, travelling, etc.

❖ How to participate;

- Download the FlipGive App or visit www.flipgive.com/join to sign up
- When asked to "join existing team", enter our unique team code: **YF9WHZ**
- Have fun shopping!

Reach Out!

If you have a question for our School Council, or any items you would like to be brought to our attention, please email our Chair - Zalema Mavor holland.landing.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca

Looking Ahead

January...	29 - Hurricane of the Month
February...	1 - PA Day 15 - Family Day (no school)

